

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

A complete listing of all claims in the application are provided below. After each claim number, the status of each claim is indicated in a parenthetical expression. The text of each claim under examination (with markings to show current changes) is also presented.

Please amend the claims as follows:

A1 1. (Currently amended) A window treatment [which is] sized to fit substantially over a window opening, [said] the window treatment [having] comprising:
one or more rows of loops [means which are] affixed to [said] the window treatment [and which allow a lower portion of said window treatment to be raised vertical];
[and affixed by first button means to a surface of said window treatment] a row of buttons positioned along an upper portion of the window treatment,
the row of buttons being adapted to be removably secured to any one of the row of loops;
the window treatment is in a raised position when one row of loops and one row of buttons are engaged, the engagement of the loops and buttons is the only manner by which the window treatment is removably secured in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

2. (Currently amended) [A] The window treatment [as defined in] of claim 1, comprising [which has] at least three rows of loops [first means], each row of loops is adapted to be removably secured to the row of buttons.

3. (Currently amended) [A] The window treatment [as defined in] of claim 1 [which has] comprising:

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a suspending sleeve for receiving a rod therethrough; the suspending sleeve configured to suspend said window treatment in front of said window opening; and

wherein the row of buttons, [one row of buttons] is arranged horizontally at a location which is within 0-12 inches of a top edge of [the] the suspending sleeve [means which are used to suspend the window treatment in front of the window].

4. (Currently amended) [A] The window treatment [as defined in] of claim 3 [which has tab top suspending means] wherein the suspending sleeve is in the form of a tab top.

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6. (Currently amended) A window treatment [which is] sized to fit over a window opening, said window treatment [having] comprising:

one or more rows of loops [buttons means which are affixed to said] each row of loops positioned horizontally along a surface of the window treatment [and which allow a lower portion of said window treatment to be raised vertically and affixed by loop means to a surface of said window treatment]; a row of buttons positioned horizontally along an upper portion of the window treatment;

the row of buttons being adapted to be removably secured to any one of the row of loops; the window treatment is in a raised position when one row of loops and one row of buttons are engaged; the engagement of the loops and buttons is the only manner by which the window treatment is removably secured in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

AMENDMENT TO THE ABSTRACT

Please delete the abstract and replace it with the abstract set forth on the attached sheet.